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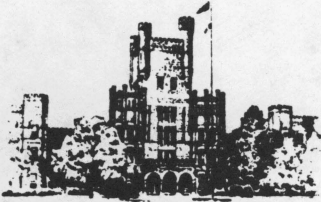
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SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOGNITION AWARDS

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's Department of Special Education recently awarded Special Education Recognition Awards to more than 35 students.

The award is given for excellence in leadership, scholarship, and service. Students receiving this award typically have a grade point average of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale and demonstrate a genuine interest in special education.

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NOTE TO THE EDITOR (The Daily Times): Mary Pearse, daughter of Tom and Carol Pearse of Ottawa, has been selected as a recipient of a Special Education Recognition Award. A 1989 Ottawa Township High School graduate, Pearse is currently a junior at Eastern majoring in early childhood special education.